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Serial No : 10/754,952 Art Unit No : Unknown
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| Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(1) | () Statement of Common Ownership |
| (X) Form PTO-1449 & non-US References | () Amendment After Allowance 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 |
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| () One-Month Extension of Time Under | () Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) |
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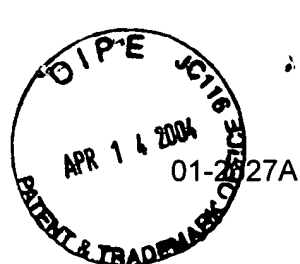
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Applicants respectfully ask the Examiner to consider the cited references.

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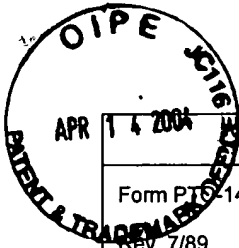
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OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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